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SUBJECT: PRESS REACTION: OSLO NATO MEETINGS

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" OF REALITIESN THERE IS LITTTTLE. ONLY THE MADRID  
WASHINGTON DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AND THE TREATY OF  
COOPERATION AND FRIENDSHIP, SIGNED BY SPAIN AND THE  
UNITED STATES WHICH, IN AN INDIRECT MANNER, INSERTS OUR  
COUNTRY INTO THE CONTEXT OF THE DEFENSE OF THE WEST."

"ON THE REST OF THE ATLANTIC QUESTIONS, THERE'S  
NOTHING NEW FOR THE MOMENT... LUNS DOESN'T WANT TO  
VENTURE AN OPINION ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF SEEKING  
ITALIAN COMMUNISM IN THE GOVERNMENT, DECLARES HIMSELF  
CONTENT WITH THE PRESENT POLITICAL SITUATION IN PORTUGAL,  
PREOCCUPIED ABOUT THE "COD WAR" BETWEEN GREAT BRITIAN  
AND ICELAND DISAPPOINTED ABOUT THE RHYTHM AND PROCESS  
OF EAST WESTMRBCIYWLS  
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MED BY THE GROWTH OF SOVIET RECUPERA  
TION OF THE WESTN ALARMED BY THE GROWTH OF SOVIET POWER  
IN THE BALTIC AND THE NORTH SEA AND SUSPICIOUS ABOUT  
THE FUTURE OF YUGOSLAVIA..."

SPAIN'S NEW LIBERAL VOICE EL PAIS, FROMT PAGES  
NEWS OF THE OSLO MEETINGS. WHICH, IT SAYS, WILL FOCUS  
UPON TWO ITEMS NOT MENTIONED IN THE AGENDA, POSSIBLE  
ENTRY OF SPAIN INTO NATO, FEATURED IS LINS OPERNING STATEMENT  
IN WHICH HE DESIRES TO SEE SPAIN"CONVERT  
INTO REALITY THE PROJECTS OF DEMOCRATIZATION". RECALLY  
HIS TALKS WITH FONMIN AREILZA, "I HAVE THE IMPRESSION  
THAT MADRID WOULD LIKE THE INITIATIVE TO COME ON THE  
PART OF THE ORGANIZATION".

FRYDENLUND'S OPPOSITION WAS NOTED, LEADING EL PAIS  
TO CONCLUDE THAT "AS IN PREVIOUS OCCASIONS, THE UNITED  
STATES WILL BE THE BEST MEDIATOR FOR THE SPANISH CAUSE...  
TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE FAVORABLE RESOLUTION FROM THE SENATE  
FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE TO RATIFY THE SPANISH AMERICAN  
TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION, HENRY KISSINGER  
WILL SURELY TAKE THE OCCASION TO REMIND (NATO) OF THE  
STRATEGIC ROLE THE IBERIAN PENINSULA PLAYS IN THE  
DEFENSE OF THE WEST."

EL PAIS SPECIAL COORESPONDENT ON OSLO OBSERVED  
THAT "SPAIN IS IN THE MIND OF THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE  
ATLANTIC COUNCIL, ALTHOUGH THEY GIVE PRIORITY TO OTTHER  
"MEDITERANEAN PROBLEMS, THAT IS TO SAY, TO THE ITALIAN  
POLITICAL SITUATION WHICH (PRIORITY) THEY GAVE A FEW  
MONTHS AGO TO PORTUGAL."

"ALL THE ATTENTION OF THE OBSERVERS CENTERS ON  
KNOWING WHAT WILL BE THE ATTITUDE OF THE ALLIANCE IN  
THE CASE OF COMMUNIST PARTICIPATION IN THE FUTURE  
ITALIAN GOVERNMENT".

" THE OPINIONS OF HENRY KISSINGER ARE AWAITED WITH  
INTERESTS, THE TOME OF WHICHN JUDGING FROM THOSE MADE IN  
PREVIOUS OCCASIONS, CAN BE GUESSED."

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NATIONAL MOVEMENT ARriba DEVOTES A FULL PAGE TO  
SURVEYING THE OSLO DELIBERATIONS, UNDER THE HEADLINE  
"SPAIN WON'T BE MENTIONED", AND CITES FRYDENLUND'S AND  
LUNS STATEMENTS, ESPECIALLY THE LATTERS' REMARK THAT  
"WHAT IS NORMAL IN ONE COUNTRY CAN BE UNCOMFORTABLE FOR  
ANOTHER. WHAT WE CAN DO IN NATO IS TRY T INFLUENCE THE

DEVELOPMENT OF AN ACCEPTABLE DEMOCRACY IN SPAIN.IT IS COMPLETELY NORMAL THAT THE COUNTRIES OF THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE WAIT WITH IMPATIENCE THE RESULT OF THE PLANNED POLITICAL PROJECTS ANNOUNCED BY THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT."

" ACCORDINGLY, IT'S NOT PROBABLE THAT THIS MEETING OF NATO WILL SPEAK OF SPAIN, NOR THAT KISSINGER WILL TRY HARD TO MENTION IT IN THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE."

ARRIBA NOTES THAT QUESTION OF COMMUNIST POWER IN ITALY WILL BE "STUDIED AND INVESTIGATED. IT ALMOST SEEMS AS IF THEY (NATO MEMBERS) CONSIDERD VIABLE THE SITUATION OF "EUROCOMMUNISM IS AN ALLIED COUNTRY. DESPITE COMTINUED U.S. WARNINGS, BY KISSINGER PRINCIPALLY THE POSSIBILITY IS NOT DISCOUNTED OF A PARALLEL STRATEGY IF THE COMMUNISTS COME TO GOVERNMENT IN SOME NATO MEMBER COUNTRY... TO COUNTERACT THAT POSSIBLE PRESENCE, NATO ENCOURAGES BILATERAL PACTS CLEARLY COMPLIMENTARY TO THE ATLANTIC ORGANIZATION, AS ARE THOSE SUBSCRIBED TO BY AMERICAN WITH MADRID, ATHENS, AND ANKARA."

" KISSINGER AS ALWAYS, WILL BE THE SUPERSTAR OF THE MINISTERIAL MEETING. IN THIS SUMMIT HE WILL BRING TO THE FORCE THE ANXIETIES OF THE UNITED STATES ABOUT THE DANGER OF COMMUNIST EUROPE. IT'S PROBABLE THAT HE WILL INCLUDE PART OF HIS STRATEGY."

ON THE COD WAR, IN THE CASE THAT NATO DOESN'T SUPPORT THE POSITIONS IF ICELAND, REYKJAVIK COULD SEEK THE CLOSING OF THE ALLIANCE BASE IN KEFLAVIK."

"KISSINGER WILL VISIT VARIOUS EUROPEAN CAPITALS BEFORE RETURNING TO THE UNITED STATES AT THE END OF MAY  
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PERHAPS HE WILL REMEMBER IN THESE CAPITALS THE WORDS HE STATED A FEW MONTHS AGO: "AN HISTORIC COMPROMISE WITH THE COMMUNISTS COULD BE FOLLOWED BY AN HISTORIC RUPTURE WITH THE USA. AFTER THIS TRIP IT'S VERY PROBABLE THAT KISSINGER WILL FO TO SANTIAGO CHILE, TO ATTND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STTAE (OAS)... THESE TRIPS PERMIT KISSINGER TO REMAIN REMOVED FROM THE POLITICAL ELECTORAL SCENE AND ITS POLEMICS, WHICH RECENTLY HAVE CENTERED ON HIM PERSONALLY".

"FOR HIS PART, THE RENCH PRESIDENT VALERY GISCARD D'ESTAING DECLARED IN AN INTERVIEW REBROADCAST IN THE UNITED STATES THAT FRANCE DOESN'T HAVE ANY INTENTION OF RE-ENTERING NATO," ITEM,

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